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INTRA-NASAL NALOXONE


A. The purpose of this policy is to establish broad guidelines and regulations governing the utilization of naloxone by trained officers within the Portales Police Department. The objective is to treat and reduce the severity of injuries and fatalities due to opioid-involved overdoses when officers are the first to arrive at the scene of a suspected overdose.

B. It is the policy of the Portales Police Department that officers shall assist any person(s) who may be suffering from an apparent opioid overdose, if at least two officers are on-scene prior to administration of Naloxone. Included in this policy are officers and/or employees of the Portales Police Department should officers/employees be exposed to opioids and display signs of overdosing. Officers are required to complete a Department of Health-approved training on naloxone for law enforcement and maintain current record of training completion.

C. Legal Background: In 2001 the New Mexico State Legislature provided authority and release from liability for persons “other than a licensed health care professional” to administer an opioid antagonist to an individual whom they believe to be experiencing a drug overdose (New Mexico State Law, NM Stat § 24-23-1). Law enforcement officers can serve as “trained targeted first responders” as outlined in New Mexico Department of Health Rules describing opioid antagonist programs (NMAC 7.32.7.1).

D. Definitions:

1. Opioid: A medication or drug that is derived from the opium poppy or that mimics the effect of an opiate. Opiate drugs are narcotic sedatives that depress the activity of the central nervous system; these will reduce pain, induce sleep, and in overdose, will cause people to stop breathing. First responders often encounter opioids and opiates in the form of morphine, methadone, codeine, heroin, fentanyl, oxycodone (OxyContin®), Percocet®, and hydrocodone (Vicodin®).
2. Naloxone: A prescription medication that can be used to reverse the effects of an opiate overdose. Specifically, it displaces opioids from the receptors in the brain that control the central nervous system and respiratory system. It is marketed under various trademarks, including Narcan®.
3. Intra-nasal Naloxone Kit: Should include the following:

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- Two (2) prefilled luer-lock syringes, without needles, each containing 2mg of naloxone in 2ml of solution, and within their manufacturer assigned expiration dates.
- Two (2) mucosal atomizer device (MAD) tips, compatible with standard luer-lock syringes.
- Instructions on overdose response and naloxone administration

E. Training

1. Prior to issuance of the naloxone kit, officers shall be trained in opioid overdose recognition and response, including the administration of intra-nasal naloxone, by a trainer approved by the New Mexico Department of Health.
2. Officers shall receive a refresher training every year, which may be done in conjunction with First Aid/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).
3. The Chief of Police shall designate a member of Portales Police Department to serve as the coordinator responsible for administration of the department's Intranasal Naloxone Program.

F. Issuance

1. Naloxone kits will be issued to officers.
2. Naloxone will be provided in a clearly marked kit for intranasal administration. Each intranasal naloxone kit shall include:
 - Two (2) prefilled luer-lock syringes, without needles, each containing 2mg of naloxone in 2ml of solution, and within their manufacturer assigned expiration dates.
 - Two (2) mucosal atomizer device (MAD) tips, compatible with standard luerlock syringes.
 - Instructions on overdose response and naloxone administration
3. All officers are required to maintain the intranasal Naloxone kit and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) face mask in their assigned cruiser or on their person at all times while on duty.
4. The Portales Police Department will deploy its intra-nasal naloxone kits in the following primary locations:
 - a. Individual Assignment
 - i. Overdose Response and Use of Naloxone
 - ii. Ensure scene safety for yourself and other first responders.

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- iii. When using the intra-nasal naloxone kit officers shall adhere to universal precautions and follow the overdose response procedure as directed by this policy and the Department of Health Law Enforcement Naloxone Training:
- iv. Determine non-responsiveness, absence or difficulty breathing
- v. Update dispatcher on potential overdose (Dispatcher will activate Emergency Medical Services)
- vi. Assemble and administer first vial of intranasal naloxone
- vii. If after 3-5 minutes of administering first vial of naloxone, there is no improvement (victim remains unconscious, no independent breathing) administer second vial of naloxone.

G. USE, CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT

1. If the individual remains non-responsive following administration of second vial of naloxone, consider initiating CPR.
2. All subjects who are given naloxone will require assessment by Emergency Medical Services (EMS) regardless of mental status.
3. The intranasal naloxone device shall be properly disposed of following administration.

H. Reporting: After utilization of naloxone, members will:

1. Prepare a "[Naloxone Usage Report](#)" and initiate a report in the Records Management System for documentation purposes to include a description of the individual's condition, behavior, deployment of naloxone, deployment results, details of call, and any other details the reporting officer feels are relative to the incident.
2. The above reports shall be reviewed and approved according to standard operating procedures and a copy will be submitted for review by the program coordinator.
3. Storage and Replacement
 - i. Inspection of the intranasal naloxone kit shall be the responsibility of each officer and shall be conducted each month.
 - ii. Check the expiration date found on either box or vial;

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- iii. Observe luer-lock needleless syringe for any cloudiness in liquid or other indication of damage to the medication.
 - iv. Check condition of Mucosal Atomizer Device (considered sterile for approximately 4-5 years).
4. Naloxone will be stored in department-issued storage containers to avoid extreme cold, heat and direct sunlight.
5. Missing, damaged or expired naloxone kit(s) will be reported directly to the on-duty commander. The on-duty commander will then report issue to the program coordinator.
6. Requests for replacement naloxone kit(s) will be submitted to the program coordinator.
7. Supervisors shall conduct inspection of the naloxone kits on a monthly basis and denote the equipment's condition in the vehicle inspection report.
8. If one (1) dose in a kit is administered during the normal course of duty a replacement kit will be requested. A complete kit will be considered a kit with two (2) full doses, including 2 MAD devices and instructions on overdose response and naloxone administration.